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In re Application of: Peter Reimer, et al.

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For:

Processing Apparatus Having

Integrated Pumping System

Group Art Unit: 1763

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## **RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 27, 2003**

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 27, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 27, 2004, please enter this Response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicant believes that no additional fees are due in connection with this Response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/AMAT/2981.P1/BTP, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this Response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.